subject were received by the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals from Members of Parliament on the ground that this drug did not fulfil any exclusion criteria.

(c) and (d) Government has recently put 21 drugs including Oxyfederine under price control. Government has also set up a Standing Committee to consider the various representations concerning Drugs (Prices Control Order, 1987 relating to inclusion/exclusion of drugs in the Scheduled Categories.

Representations against anomalies in Kelkar Committee Report

674. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3739 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th August, 1988 and state;

(a) whether it is a fact that representations from Members of Parliament regarding discrepancies, contradictions and anomalies have not been annexed with the Supplementary Report of the Kelkar Committee;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) what is the total number of representations received after the submission of the Report till the submission of Supplemenary Report by his Ministry and Kelkar Committee;

(d) what are the details of such representations;

(e) whether it is also a fact that a number of representations have been made regarding anomalies after the submission of the Supplementary Report to his Department; and

(f) if so, what are the details of such representations?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, However, the Kelkar Committee considered the representations before submitting the Supplementary Report to the Government.

(c) to (f) As per available information, about 65 representations were received by the Deptt. of Chemicals & Petrochemicals and Kelkar Committee after the submission of the main Report by the Kelkar Committee. All the representations were mainly concerned inclusion/exclusion of drugs under price control. Similarly, representations have also been received by the Government after the submission of Supplementary Report by the Kelkar Committee. Government has recently constituted a Standing Committee to consider the various representations concerning DPCO-1987 relating to inclusion/exclusion of drugs in the Scheduled Categories.

Price Control on Imported drugs

675. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 596 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th February, 1989 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that landed cost of imports of the drugs Amitriptyline Hcl., Chlorpromazine, Trifluoremazine Hcl. and Trifluperazine Hcl. is more than fifty lakhs of rupees per year;

(b) whether it is also a fact that none of these drugs fulfil any exclusion criteria laid down by Kelkar Committee;

(c) if so, on what grounds these imported drugs have been price decontrolled;

(d) whether it is also a fact that price decontrol of such drugs will boost imports and not indigenous production which is the objective spelt out;